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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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FOR: METHOD COMPRISING THE USE OF HUMAN INTERLEUKIN-11  
RECEPTOR PROTEINS

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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

In the drawings:

Please replace the drawings as filed with enclosed drawings for FIGS. 1-4.

In the specification

Insert at page 1, line 2, after the title:

**--RELATED APPLICATIONS**

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This application claims priority to USSN 09/151,102 filed September 10, 1998, which is a divisional patent application of USSN 08/929,846, filed September 15, 1997, is a divisional patent application of USSN 08/663,584, filed June 16, 1996, which in turn claims priority to USSN 08/362,304, filed December 22, 1994. Priority is claimed to all of these referenced applications. The contents of these applications are incorporated by reference in their entireties.--

At page 24, lines 1-3, replace the text with the following: